

A Hope delegation will attend the meeting of the Red River Valley association in Shreveport Wednesday.

At least two cars will leave here at 7 a.m. for the conference which opens in the Washington-Youree hotel at 8:30. The delegation will include: Charles C. Armitage, secretary-manager of Hope Chamber of Commerce; Talbot Field, Jr., a state representative; Vincent Foster, your correspondent; Martin Pool, Leo House and Mayor Albert S. Fink.

All others are welcome, and if you can join this group please telephone Mr. Armitage today or tonight.

As you know, Red River valley is one of the few remaining river areas in the United States touched by federal flood control, navigation and hydro-power development. We have talked about it, but actually people in Fulton and Texarkana have taken more definite interest in it than our own folks right here in Hope. Yet it stands to benefit as much as any possibly more than, any other city in the district.

Not only is there the prospect of protecting marginal river lands, developing cheaper electric power, and bringing freight rates down, but the threat of water transport, but there is the additional factor of providing new and undreamed of recreational areas. The artificial lakes created around Hot Springs by the damming of the Ouachita river tell us in terms of tourist trade what can be done for the area along the Red and Little rivers.

Let's back this movement today.

#### U. S. About Face On Palestine Poses a Diplomatic Blunder

By JAMES THRASHER

One of the amazing things about the American government's about-face on Palestine is why, if the administration felt it must abandon this solution, it ever supported partition in the first place. All of the evident factors that led to the reversal of position were present when the U. S. was leading the movement for Jewish and Arab independence. The Arabs had warned the U. N. early and often that they would resist partition. Therefore, it would be necessary to enforce the solution that the U. S. was backing so vigorously. Enforcement would probably mean that Russia, not supporting partition, would want to include her own troops in any international force that the U. N. sent into Palestine. And since she is a major power and almost a neighbor, it would have been impossible to keep her soldiers out of the Holy Land without creating a full-scale crisis.

There was also the likelihood that the Arab countries might try to punish the U. N. for supporting partition by shutting down her supply of oil. This, with the possible difficulty of getting Russian troops away from the Mediterranean coast, once they had been present, created an obvious military problem in the face of present Soviet-American relations.

But none of this is new. Long-range planning could have foreseen the difficulties. It could either have planned their solution in advance or, failing to find a solution, could have opposed partition—in spite of America's pledged support. At least early opposition would have been made.

Instead the administration now proposes to abandon the program which the American delegation put over almost single-handed, and substitute a "solution" that can scarcely fail to leave Palestine in a worse plight.

It was the failure of the Jews and Arabs to agree on Palestine's future after the British left that brought the Palestine issue before the U. N. in the first place. Now the American plan would substitute a U. N. trusteeship for the British trusteeship and try once more to get the Arabs and Jews to agree.

However one may feel about partition, the American handling of it looks like a very serious diplomatic blunder. It has weakened our own prestige. It has strengthened the Russian position. And it has dealt the U. N. another heavy blow.

This time it is the U. S., not Russia, that has thrust aside the majority decision of the assembly of nations. This time it is the U. S. that has bypassed the U. N. and given priority to its own interests. And it has further weakened the U. N. by asking it to retreat before the opposition of a few small, weak-backed governments.

So things are back where they started—and then some. Hundreds of lives have been lost through American failure to press for enforcement of the partition that this government sponsored. Now it seems that the Palestine issue must be settled in blood.

#### 20 Years Ago Today

American Legion commanders in adjoining towns are Joe Jackson of Washington, Ira Hendrix of Blevins, Jerome Drake of Patmos, Brooks Shultz of Fulton, R. E. Jackson of Columbus, and W. R. Atkins at McCaskill—Miriam Carlton, Batesville College, won a trip to Chicago by winning a dramatic contest—The Arkansas Tax Commission will meet here April 6. Speakers will be R. E. Jackson, principal, Mrs. T. C. Wilson, Harriet Wilson, Mabel Spivey and Miss Reed. They teach 118 pupils including 28 in high school.

#### HOP SPRINGS ELECTION

Hot Springs, April 6—(AP)—Voting was heavy here in today's municipal general election.

At noon 1,561 votes had been cast in all wards. The municipal judge's and eight aldermanic posts are at stake.

Approximately 5,600 votes are expected to have been cast by 6:30 p.m. when the polls will close.

## Reds Apologize for Crash of British Plane

Berlin, April 6—(AP)—Field Marshal Lord Montgomery, chief of the British imperial general staff, conferred with the three Western commanders in Germany here today in the Berlin crisis. He planned to dine with the Russian commander tonight.

Tension eased somewhat after the Russians publicly had expressed official apology for the crash of a Soviet fighter with a British transport plane yesterday which cost 15 lives.

Montgomery arrived today by plane. He will dine tonight with Marshal Vasily D. Sokolovsky, the Soviet commander in Germany. Montgomery said he had every intention of keeping the date arranged before the plane incident. He said Sokolovsky "is an old friend of mine—a very old friend."

Montgomery went from the Glatz airport to British headquarters to confer with Gen. Sir Brian Robertson, the British commander, and his staff. Gen. Lucius D. Clay, the U. S. military governor, joined the conference. Later the three went to Gen. Robertson's home, to be joined by Gen. Pierre Koenig, the French commander.

In London, British foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin told the House of Commons Britain is pressing for an immediate investigation of the plane incident with the Russians in Berlin.

Bevin said of the Western dispute with the Russians in Berlin: "If there is good will, it is capable of solution."

The Soviet commander promised Continued on Page Six

## Purchasing Power Drops to '42 Low

Washington, April 6—(U)—Consumer purchasing power today is less than at any time since 1942, according to new statistics compiled by the president's Council of Economic Advisors.

Climbing prices in the first three months of 1948 not only wiped out an actual gain in per capita income, but sent the purchasing power of that income reeling backward.

The figures are a part of the council's new monthly booklet on the nation's economic indicators. The study will be the first work for a report to President Truman tomorrow.

Sources close to the council expect the report to urge speedy enactment of the standby price, rationing, wage, material and credit controls which Mr. Truman asked of Congress last November.

The report, it was understood, will say the controls are needed not only to meet the problems of high prices and scarce goods, but to be ready for the additional strains the defense spending will throw on the nation's economy.

The study will be discussed Friday by the president's cabinet.

The monthly volume of economic facts is not for general circulation. Copies of the first issue, out today, went to the desks of about 100 top administration officials.

The report showed that per capita dollar income in the first three months of 1948 indicated an annual rate of \$1,274, or \$36 more than last year's. But the catch is that while income went up, prices went up even faster. Hence real purchasing power suffered a net loss.

For example, in terms of what a dollar would buy in the first half of 1947, the indicated 1948 per capita income after taxes was \$1,177, or \$10 less than in 1947.

Using a consumer index that figures the first half of 1947 equalling 100, the study showed that prices advanced from 102.4 for the entire year of 1947, to 108.2 in the first three months of this year.

#### Kiwanis Told Guard Unit to Get Building

The Kiwanis Club observed Army Day today with a special program by Capt. Dorsey Fuller, local Company A, National Guard commander.

Capt. Fuller told about the work and training of guard units. He said Company A would soon get a motor storage building to be located behind the courthouse, construction on which would start any day. He said income from the local unit put \$32,000 annually in Hempstead County. Several army weapons were displayed.

Guests were Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Cooper, Charles Rounton, Don Holt, Clifford Bridges, Bob Harkins, Major Vannoy and Waymon Taylor.

#### Private Funeral Planned for Mrs. Rockefeller

New York, April 6—(AP)—Funeral services of Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, will be private and will be held at the convenience of the family.

The 73-year-old wife of the multimillionaire, who died yesterday at her apartment here, will be cremated. The ashes will be placed in the family cemetery at Sleepy Hollow, near Tarrytown, N. Y.

## Husband Pleads Guilty to Slaying Wife

Greenville, Ky., April 6—(AP)—Raymond Ellison, 37, pleaded innocent to a charge of murder when arraigned in county court here yesterday in connection with the death of his 12 year old bride, Imogene.

County Judge pro-tem A. C. Ross ordered Ellison held for an examining trial.

The body of the child bride was found Sunday in the mud river, 16 miles from here. Sheriff Otis Robinson said a white rag was wound around the girl's neck.

## Adjournment Depends on Mr. Stalin

Washington, April 6—(AP)—Russian Premier Stalin will decide, indirectly, whether Congress can wind up its work on schedule in June.

Speaker Martin (R-Mass) pointed out to newsmen today the possibility that only a lawmaking recess may be ordered for the Philadelphia constitutional convention. In that event Congress would return in July for a session that might run through the rest of the year.

The decision—adjournment or recess—will depend, Martin said, on the international situation. He added:

"If the situation remains tense, then we cannot adjourn but will recess for the conventions, come back in July and stay around indefinitely, with work or so off just before the elections."

Barring some move by Russia, the present legislative program can be disposed of by convention time.

Congress still has to act on some big appropriation bills, including those for the army, the navy, the air forces and the European recovery program.

In addition, leaders intend to press for action soon on military manpower legislation. That may be the next big subject to hit the House floor.

Steering Committee probably will meet within a few weeks to determine policy on draft revival and universal military training bills. The Armed Services Committee is scheduled to start hearings April 26 on a Selective Service bill that already has approved a UMT bill, but that measure has been blocked by the Rules Committee.

Chairman Taber (R-N.Y.) of the House Appropriations Committee indicated that no action will be taken on foreign aid appropriations until after military needs are surveyed. The committee expects to report details this week on the president's request for another \$9,000,000,000 on top of his January request for \$11,000,000,000 for national defense.

## Two Colleges Protest Early Budgets

Little Rock, April 6—(AP)—Two colleges have balked at efforts of the Arkansas legislative council to start early consideration of 1949-50 budgets.

State Comptroller John J. Truerner said today University of Arkansas and Arkansas Tech had protested the council's request that budget requests be filed by May 28.

The council, created by the 1947 legislature to study proposed legislation, was given no money with which to operate. The state supreme court blocked an attempt to transfer other funds for that purpose.

The council recently announced that it would attempt to carry out its duties without funds and requested that state departments and institutions submit their tentative budgets by May 28. Rep. James R. Campbell of Hot Springs, council chairman, said the request was made in order to give the unpaid council members sufficient time to study the budget request.

Truerner said he had received a letter from University of Arkansas Business Manager T. C. Carlson stating that the May 28 date is too early to submit budget requests.

"We shall need to know results of this year's operations," Carlson said.

Truerner said J. W. Hull, president of Arkansas Tech, expressed a similar opinion in a letter last week. He added that Hull said the state colleges planned to meet in June to discuss budgetary affairs.

The comptroller was uncertain what legal weight the legislative council's request would have. He said the budgetary control law of 1943 gives the state departments until June 1 to submit their budgets to him. In submitting their budgets to him, the departments are not to be bound by the request.

He added that under the legislative council's request it would be necessary that budgets be in his office by May 1 in order to be taken into account for submission to the council.

He said Campbell had told him that the council desired only tentative budgets for the May 28 meeting and that they could be revised and made more specific later.

#### KILLED IN ACCIDENT

Star City, April 6—(AP)—Callas Boykin, about 45 of Booneville, was killed and Basil Boone injured when their car went into a creek-bed near here last night.

Sheriff Fred Cogbill said the car missed the New Yorktown Bridge on the Pine Bluff highway, which was moved about two weeks ago. It went down a 12-foot slope at the former bridge site, he reported.

## Hopes Fade for Temporary Draft Bill This Week

Washington, April 6—(AP)—Hopes faded today of having either temporary draft or universal military training bills ready for the Senate this week.

"We'll be lucky if we get a bill by the first of next week," Chairman Gurney (R-SD) told reporters after a closed door session of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Gurney said the change in plans for speedy action results from a decision to call in the heads of the three armed services for separate sessions this week.

Gurney said demands of some senators for an immediate increase in airpower has slowed down his legislative timetable.

Some senators are demanding that the United States air force be expanded immediately to a 70,000-man force instead of the 55,000 now included in administration plans.

"We plan to call up the air forces first," Gurney said. "Later we'll call up from the ground forces and the navy."

"The size of the air force is one of the questions that must be decided before we send a bill on to the Senate," Gurney said.

Details remained an official secret.

Secretary for Air Symington, speaking at Raleigh, N. C., said "We must gather our strength and place it in plain view of the men who are going to elect us in November." He did not mention Russia by name.

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Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey said at Columbus, Ohio, the first batch of 10 to 15 year olds may be drafted within 90 days after Congress enacts a proposed emergency draft law.

## Junior Play to Be Staged April 9

With a cast as bright as new pennies, "Don't Take My Penny," the junior play, will be presented at the local high school auditorium. The matinee will begin at 2 o'clock and the evening performance will begin at 8 o'clock.

These lively characters range from the light-toed Sally, played by Catherine Cox, to the excitable Monsieur Henri, French designer, played by John McLeod.

Arch Moore, Ellington Jr., the worried father and Norma Jean Franks as the lecturing mother help to keep the Pringle household in a state of confusion.

Penny, played by Peggy Pentecost, is the younger daughter who definitely is a contrast to her older brother and sister, Mark and Mavis, who are played by Jimmie Dick Hammons and Betty Murphy.

Others who add youth, charm, and funny incidents to the play are: Tony Boyett as Norman Porter; Martin Pool, Jr. as Greg; Bob Hyatt as Kerry; Emily Jo Wilson as Joanna; Mary Anita Lester as Gram; Mary Lou Moore, Mary Ellen Downs, and Nancy Camp as models; Ray West as Red; Ted Jones as Harrison Day.

The special numbers between acts will feature Nealia Frances Mullins, piano soloist, and James Charles Russell and Marietta Downs, vocalists.

## Those Who Laugh at a Bald Headed Man Only Show Their Own Ignorance

By HAL BOYLE  
New York, April 6—(AP)—Today we sing a dithyramb in praise of that forlorn hero of the ages—the bald-headed man.

Those who laugh at a bald-headed man only show their own ignorance.

For the bald-headed man is the man of the future. He has been the man of the past, the man of the present, and he will be the man of the future. He is the man of the future because he is the man of the present, and he is the man of the present because he is the man of the future.

Meanwhile the bald-headed man, like all pioneers and light bringers, is looked at and ridiculed.

"I don't know how to save you from your hair," he is asked. And when he innocently and hopefully says "How?" they jeer:

"Get a cigar box!"

There is no reason any longer for bald-headed men to submit to these jokes, because they are coming into their hour of power. The hair man has had his day in history and is on the way out.

Hair is unkempt, uncouth, unsanitary and unnecessary. It is actually an expensive nuisance from our animal past, a relic as useless as an appendix. There is really no place for it in the machine age.

It may remain the glory of womanhood, but it is already out of date on the brow of man, the thinker.

Science has confirmed this. Any number of test tube savants have advanced the theory that bald-headed men are more virile than their fur-headed brothers. The more hormones, the less hair.

And baldness is also a sign of brains. Dr. R.E.G. Armattee, a scientist from North Ireland, has just completed a study which showed that educated men get bald sooner than uneducated men.

I don't know of a statement better calculated to empty our colleges. But this is only because of the present flattering preference women show for men with hair.

Why do women foster the delusion that a man topped with cran-

## U. S. Chaplain Stabbed to Death in Tokyo

Tokyo, April 6—(AP)—Capt. John A. Ryan, U. S. Army Catholic chaplain at Suigo prison, was stabbed fatally in the heart while taking his usual walk last night. Investigators said today they had no clue as to the killer or killers, or a motive.

Captain Ryan was stabbed with a pick-knife instrument.

American soldiers some distance away said they saw some persons leap from bushes and assault the chaplain. His wallet and watch were undisturbed.

The chaplain, about 30, was a member of the Society of Missions, with headquarters at Germantown, Pa. He was booked to sail for the United States May 6 after a long tour of duty.

## Truman Leads Tribute to U. S. Army

By the Associated Press  
The nation's President Truman, paid tribute to the army today—31st anniversary of this country's entry into World War I.

Mr. Truman and members of his cabinet arranged to view an army band playing in the White House.

High ranking officials of the armed services scattered across the country to address civic gatherings.

In Portland, Me., assistant secretary of the Army Gordon Gray said the nation has a "dangerously small" army.

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## Only 30 Votes Cast Up to 2 p. m. Today

With the annexation of a section east and north of Hope as the only issue voting probably is the fact that in history in today's City General election which also will officially elect Democratic nominees to city offices.

A check of the polls about 2 p.m. today reveal only about 30 votes cast in all four wards. In election officials' opinion, there was no indication from any sources that the vote would pick up during the afternoon.

#### FILES FOR RE-ELECTION

Little Rock, April 6—(AP)—State Sen. Lee Reeves, Hermitage, today filed his re-election papers, pledging as candidate for re-election from the 26th district composed of Bradley, Drew and Calhoun counties.

## Finland to Keep Political Independence

Helsinki, Finland, April 6—(AP)—Finland will retain her political independence and the Soviet Union will obtain no new bases on Finnish soil under a treaty near signature in Moscow, informed political quarters said today.

The foreign office announced that negotiations of Finland and Russia had agreed on the contents of the Russian-proposed pact of friendship and mutual assistance. The actual text apparently is still in preparation.

The treaty inevitably will draw Finland closer to the Soviet Union's eastern bloc but will leave her independent politically, the informed quarters said.

Even after the pact is initiated in Moscow by Premier Mauno Pekka, the ratification of Finland's parliament will be necessary to make it effective. The majority of parliament so far has stood fast against entering any military commitments with Russia.

Finns forecast a dramatic parliamentary debate.

President Juho Paasikivi met with the Finnish cabinet in the presidential palace, apparently to consider the Moscow results before they are put into final ready form.

Some Finnish newspapers said the pact might be initiated late today. Others said the ceremony would be tomorrow.

Details remained an official secret.

The newspaper Nya Pressen said the fact an agreement could be reached so swiftly after two Finnish delegates, J. O. Soederhjelm and Uno Kiekkonen, had returned to Moscow from their flying trip here to Helsinki gave reason to suppose the treaty will respect Finland's legal interests.

## Studebaker Head to Direct Recovery Plan

Washington, April 6—(AP)—President Truman awaited today the formal acceptance of Paul G. Hoffman before naming the Studebaker corporation head to direct the European recovery program.

Hoffman returned to Washington from Japan, where he went to discuss the recovery plan with Undersecretary William H. Draper, Jr., to make a survey for the army. He was expected to contact Mr. Truman during the day. Luncheon with army secretary Robert H. Canine was on Hoffman's program.

White House sources said privately that Hoffman is Mr. Truman's choice to head the multi-billion dollar program to stop Communism in Europe.

President's Secretary Charles C. Ross would not confirm that Hoffman will be appointed. He did tell a news conference that Hoffman is returning to the city.

## Bates, Johnson to Head Local Oil Dealers

The Hempstead County Oil Dealers' Association's meeting was held Monday at Barlow Hotel and voted unanimously to oppose any further increase in the Arkansas Gasoline Tax of 6 1/2c per gallon because the present tax is now producing sufficient revenue to provide for an adequate highway program.

The organization unanimously approved a resolution calling upon all candidates for Governor and the Legislature to make their position known upon increasing the state gasoline tax.

Other resolutions adopted include: asking Congress to repeal the Federal Gasoline Tax of 1 1/2c per gallon and lubricating oil tax of 6c per gallon.

The organization's program of objectives was discussed by W. F. Scarborough of Little Rock, Secretary, Oil Dealers' Association of Arkansas.

The following officers were elected for 1948:

Chairman, M. S. Bates. Hope; Vice-Chairman, F. R. Johnson, Hope; Secretary, Norman Moore, Hope.

The Hempstead County delegation in the Legislature consisting of Senator F. C. Crow and Representatives Glen Walker and Talbot Field, Jr., made short addresses in which they commended the Oil Dealers for efforts in behalf of the Automotive Taxpayers of Arkansas.

## Emmet PTA to Stage Minstrel Friday Night

The Parent Teachers Association of Emmet is sponsoring a Negro Minstrel Friday, April 8, at the school auditorium under the direction of the Rev. Joe Robinson. Songs and musical numbers are directed by Miss Elsie Gentry. The program starts at 8 o'clock.

## Republicans to Meet

All members of the Republican party are asked to meet at the Hempstead County Courthouse at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 7.

## Record Gifts to Colleges Past Year

Claremont, Calif., April 6—(AP)—Gifts totalling \$9,626,922, a record, were made by 363,280 alumni to alumni funds of 141 American colleges and universities in 1947, it was announced today.

Allen F. Hawley of Pomona College, director for fund drives of the American Alumni council, said the 1946 total was \$8,171,988, given by 342,720 alumni.

## Steel Production Curtailed by Coal Strike

Pittsburgh, April 6—(AP)—Output of the big United States Steel Corp. began to reel under impact of the soft coal shutdown today. Meanwhile, 7,000 anthracite miners strike in sympathy with the 400,000 idle bituminous United Mine Workers.

Inaugurating its first heavy cut-back of the work-out, "Big Steel" closed two rolling mills, three blast furnaces, and 17 open hearths at its Pittsburgh-Youngstown works. This means the loss of 4,000 tons of steel daily, a corporation spokesman said. The Carnegie-Illinois-Steel Corp., U. S. Steel subsidiary, now has seven blast furnaces idled and 21 still operating in this region.

The anthracite walkouts occurred in the Pottsville and Wilkes-Barre areas of eastern Pennsylvania. The rest of the 80,000 hard coal miners remained at work.

In Maryland, the Bethlehem Steel Company ordered lay-off of 3,200 workers at its Sparrows Point plant. The firm has three blast furnaces and eight open hearths idle there.

Two Decatur, Ill., steel fabricating plants cut back their working hours by 20 per cent.

A truck mine driver was beaten and four truck drivers were on lay-off when 40 or 50 men halted operations of a coal-loading ramp at Cumberland, Ky.

Quiet descended on the Harrison-Barbour county section of West Virginia yesterday as miners clashed with strip-mining workers. Five men were arrested and held for grand jury action on warrants sworn out by Grafton Coal Co. of Florida. Charges of conspiracy to inflict persons remained at work. Twelve persons were injured, none seriously, in two outbreaks in West Virginia. Pickets fought with strip-mining truck drivers near Lost Creek. About a dozen men suffered bruises. Ten truckloads of coal were dumped.

In Barbour county, pickets dumped 12 loads of coal and then Continued on Page Six

## Many Points Observe Army Day

By United Press  
Open houses, parades, exhibits, speeches and dances were on tap today as Arkansas launched its annual observance of Army Day.

Parades were scheduled in Hot Springs, Fayetteville, and Fort Smith, and exhibitions of army equipment were to be held at all cities having National Guard units and at Henderson, Quachita and Arkansas State colleges.

Addresses were scheduled at luncheon club meetings in Little Rock, North Little Rock, El Dorado, Jonesboro, Blytheville, Forrest City, Fort Smith, Crossett, Magnolia, Camden and Siloam Springs.

The 154th Fighter Group of the Arkansas National Guard will hold open house at Adams Field in Little Rock, while the Pine Bluff Arsenal will be open to the public.

The south Arkansas chapter of the Reserve Officers' Association will sponsor a dinner and dance at El Dorado tonight. The Army and Navy National Hospital and reserve, National Guard and veteran units planned a parade and dance at Hot Springs.

The Reserve Officers' Training Corps of the University of Arkansas planned a parade at Fayetteville, while a similar showing was planned at the combined ROTC units of Henderson, Quachita, colleges and the National Guard units at Arkadelphia. Adjutant General H. L. McAllister reviewed the parade and spoke at an army day luncheon at Arkadelphia.

National Guard and reserve officers units at Fort Smith planned parades and open houses at their armories.

The week's activities will be climaxed with a speech by Gen. Thomas Handy, Fourth Army commander, at the Friday luncheon meeting of the Greater Little Rock Chamber of Commerce.

## Local Group to Attend Red River Valley Meeting

The following will attend a meeting of the Red River Valley association tomorrow at Shreveport:

Vincent Foster, Alex. H. Washburn, Talbot Field, Jr., Leo House, Martin Pool, Charles A. Armitage and Mayor Albert Fink.

## Vet Representative to Be Here on April 9

Donald T. Stearns, Veterans Administration Contact Representative, will be at the Hempstead County Courthouse, Room 403, Hope, Arkansas, Friday, April 9, 1948, at 9:30 a.m.

If you have any problem concerning benefits as a member of the armed forces, see representative at that time.

## Reds in Italy Call Nationwide Strike April 12

Rome, April 6—(AP)—The Communist-dominated Italian general conception of labor called a nationwide general strike today for April 12—six days before the Italian national elections.

The confederation charged that the Mafia (Black Hand), with political support, was responsible for the killing of 35 Sicilian labor leaders and called a strike was being called in protest.

Earlier executive committee members of the confederation said the strike specifically would be a protest against the disappearance of Flacido Rizzuto, a Sicilian Communist labor leader. Rizzuto disappeared three weeks ago. Police have offered a reward for information on him.

Il Popolo, official organ of the government party, said today interior Minister Mario Scelba intends to assign 400,000 police watch-crews to the strike area. Police April 18 elections.

The committee hinted that the general strike might yet be called before the elections. It said the proposal had been suspended until another day. Otherwise the walkout was to be a protest against the alleged murder of Communists in Sicily.

Premier Alcide De Gasperi scheduled a special session of the cabinet tomorrow to approve security measures against Communist labor boss, had announced proposed token stoppage in Palermo last week.

Interior Minister Mario Scelba said in a campaign speech that the Communists were planning to try to seize control of the government. He said in Czechoslovakia, he said, the Communists were planning to seize control of the government.

De Gasperi was interrupted in a campaign speech in Palermo last night by a loud bang. It apparently was the bursting of a stout paper bag.

The noise set off a panic, with the crowd of several thousand. Scelba, speaking before a meeting of 2,500 in Milan, said he had purged the police of Communists, "ousting from police ranks agents 'ousting from police ranks agents in preparation for the election, 'ousting from police ranks agents whose job was to watch and denounce the officers."

He said Italian Communists had sold out to Russia and were planning in Italy "what their fellow Communists in Czechoslovakia already have accomplished."

Defending Italian ties with the United States, he said:

"The Italian situation cannot be solved without aid from abroad. It is not American political aims in making sacrifices to help Europe. But these aims are to defend freedom and democracy."

## Violence in Strike of Truck Drivers

Carlisle, Pa., April 6—(AP)—Violence was reported today in a unique sitdown strike of a small army of angry truck drivers by unvouched-in trucks on Pennsylvania's 170,000-mile "dream" highway.

Major Charles Keller of the state police announced seven truck drivers were fined \$28.50 apiece on charges of throwing stones at two trucks whose drivers refused to join the sitdown.

Keller said the stones damaged new automobiles which were being inspected on the two trucks.

State Police Sgt. Earl McGill said the specific charges against seven drivers were inciting riot, disturbing the peace and throwing missiles at moving vehicles.

Other drivers in the huge state convoy passed the hat to pay fines of the seven men.

Meanwhile, the drivers and owners of the big trucks gath-ered at the Plainfield service station at the turnpike to debate the move in the unprecedented sitdown. The meeting was held in defiance of an official trip by express coach to a conference gain with state officials. Men for several trucking firms at Philadelphia their vehicle temporarily being ordered pass the turnpike.



## America to Bolster Arctic Defenses

By ORGAN REYNOLDS

Washington, April 6—(AP)—The United States moved directly today to bolster this country's Arctic defenses, and indirectly to strengthen Norway's hold on strategic Polar Islands.

The direct action was signified by joint army, navy and air force plans to restrict for all but military use a string of Aleutian Islands. These stretch out in a fog-shrouded line toward Russian-held Kamchatka and the Kuriles. They also cover the approaches to Dutch Harbor, which the Japanese attacked along with Pearl Harbor.

Action on the other front came in the navy's announcement that a U. S. carrier task force will visit the Norwegian port of Bergen.



## Expecting a Baby?

Mother's Friend massaging preparation helps bring ease and comfort to expectant mothers.

MOTHER'S FRIEND, an exquisitely prepared emollient, is useful in all conditions where a mild anodyne massage medium in skin lubrication is desired. One condition in which women for more than 70 years have used it is an application for massaging the body during pregnancy. It helps keep the skin soft and pliable, thus avoiding unnecessary discomfort due to dryness and tightness. It refreshes and tones the skin. An ideal massage application for the numb, tingling or burning sensations of the skin. For the tired back muscles or aching like pains in the legs. Quickly absorbed. Delightful to use. Highly praised by users, many doctors and nurses. Millions of bottles sold. Just ask any druggist for Mother's Friend—the skin emollient and lubricant. Do try it.

**Mother's Friend**

April 29 to May 2, on a "goodwill mission."

Both moves were described officially as "routine."

But behind the "routine" label was this background: Defense Department revealed two weeks ago that Alaskan defense forces consist of only 7,000 troops and less than 100 fighter planes. At the same time, navy officials reported that one of three mystery submarines said to have been sighted in the Pacific was spotted off the Aleutians.

Present plans call for an increase to 15,000 in the number of troops manning the Alaskan outpost, but there has been no public statement on what additional air strength is scheduled for that area.

However, the armed services indicated further expansion is in prospect in their federal register notice yesterday of a public hearing in Juneau, Alaska May 4 on plans to restrict the Aleutians area.

A spokesman for Secretary of Defense Forrestal said the whole matter was aimed at "regularizing" what already is going on.

There was no official indication here of what is going on. But McChord Field in Washington state disclosed last Friday that 28 C-52s flying boxcars are making "routine" flights to Alaska.

Norway—the navy's announcement yesterday of the "goodwill" cruise focused attention anew on Scandinavia—reportedly under Russian pressure. Included in the task force are the 27,000-ton Essex class carrier, Valley Forge, the 6,000-ton anti-aircraft cruiser, the Fresno; and four destroyers. These vessels are now on the last leg of a world cruise.

## Early End to Pan American Parley Seen

Bagota, Colombia, April 6—(AP)—The Pan American conference appeared headed today for an early windup. Diplomats expressed a desire to get home before the end of the month in view of the tense world situation.

U. S. Secretary of State George C. Marshall is reported to have said he cannot remain at the conference beyond April 30. Other leading delegates are said to favor early adjournment.

American officials said there was nothing in the present situation that would force Marshall to return to Washington. They added, however, that the situation after the April 18 Italian elections could not be anticipated.

The Italian elections are said to be much in the minds of Pan American statesmen meeting here. Informants said many delegates

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**POULTRY AND PRODUCE**  
Chicago, April 6—(AP)—Live poultry: Receipts 14 trucks; prices unchanged to a cent a pound higher; FOB: fowl 30; leghorn fowl 25; broilers 38-42; balance unchanged. Butter steady to firm; receipts 587,502; prices unchanged to a cent a pound higher; 93 score AA 62.5; 92 A 32; 90 B 31.5; 89 C 30.5. Eggs unsettled receipts none; prices unchanged.

**NEW YORK COTTON**  
New York, April 6—(AP)—Cotton futures established new season's highs early today, but later weakened as the market encountered considerable profit taking and hedging.

Early strength stemmed from further active covering by spot firms in the old crop deliveries associated with recent export business.

Futures closed 85 cents to \$1.75 a bale lower than the previous close.

May high 36.25 — low 35.73 — last 35.74-76 off 33-35

Jiv high 35.55 — low 35.01 — last 35.03 off 32

Oct high 32.45 — low 32.02 — last 32.02 off 25

Dec high 31.07 — low 31.30 — last 31.30 off 17

Mar high 31.45 — low 31.05 — last 31.07N off 21

May high 31.07 — low 30.80 — last 30.74N off 21

Middling spot 36.76N off 32 N-minimal.

**ST. LOUIS LIVESTOCK**

National Stockyards, Ill., April 6—(AP)—Hogs, 10,000; weights 180 lbs up 50-100; mostly 75-100 high instances 170 lbs down 1.00-1.25 higher; sows 75-100 higher; bulk good and choice 180-240 lbs 21.00-22.00; top 21.50; 180-210 lbs 19.50-21.00; 210-300 lbs 18.00-19.75 over 30 lbs largely 17.50-18.00; 160-17 lbs 20.5-21.0; 130-150 lbs mostly 17.50-20.25; 100-12 lbs 13.25-17.25; sows 450 lbs down 16.50-17.25; over 450 lbs 16.00-50; stags 14.00-16.00.

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2,500; calves, 1,800; several loads and lots medium and good steers 24.75-27.50; with good lightweight replacement steers 25.50-26.00; good heifers and mixed

yearlings 26.00-75; some choice held around 18.00; good cows 21.00-23.00; common and medium beef cows 18.00-20.00; canners and cutters 14.00-17.50; bulls and vealers steady; good and choice vealers 15.00-23.00; common and medium 13.00-23.00; medium and good sausage bulls 21.00-22.50; good beef bulls to 23.00.

Sheep, 1,500; part deck strictly choice light weight woolled lambs 24.00; head of good Kansas lambs 22.00; deck medium and good shorn lambs No. 1 skins 20.75; few fat ewes 11.00 down; strictly good and choice ewes quotable to 12.00.

**GRAIN AND PROVISIONS**

Chicago, April 6—(AP)—Grain futures followed an uncertain course at the board of trade today. The market opened about steady but could not find anything on which to peg a good rally.

Advances and declines were moderate during a day of relative light trading. Announcement by the Commodity Credit Corporation

that it had purchased 610,000 bushels of wheat yesterday gave wheat reason for a mild advance, but this was offset by reports of good progress in European crops.

Oats were inclined to be weak on reports of spring seeding which indicated a good acreage will be planted.

Corn bookings were placed at 23,000 bushels against 24,000 bushels sales.

At the close wheat was 1-2 to 1-2 lower than yesterday's first.

May \$2.45-44 3-4. Corn was 1 cent to 1 3-8 lower. May \$2.18 3-4-1-2.

Oats were 1-1-8 to 1-7-8 lower. May \$1.12 1-4-2-8. Soybeans were 8 to 7 cents higher. May \$3.77.

Cash wheat was quoted nominal, a little lower with the futures trade, although no actual sales were recorded; basis unchanged; receipts 15 cars. Corn was unchanged; basis unchanged to 1 cent easier; bookings 23,000 bushels; shipping sales 7,500 bushels; receipts 71 cars. Oats were unchanged to a cent a bushel higher; basis steady; bookings 10,000 bushels; shipping sales 4,000 bushels; receipts eight cars. Soybeans receipts were one car.

**NEW ORLEANS COTTON**

New Orleans, April 6—(AP)—Cotton futures advanced to new seasonal highs on most months in early trading here today but later reacted sharply under profit taking from the long side.

Closing prices were barely steady \$1.25 to \$2.10 a bale lower.

May high 36.22 — low 35.36 — close 35.66-70

Jiv high 35.52 — low 34.90 — close 34.97-98

Oct high 32.40 — low 31.95 — close 31.98-32.02

Dec high 31.63 — low 31.23 — close 31.23

Mar high 31.29 — low 31.20 — close 30.98-99

B-bid.

**NEW YORK STOCKS**

New York, April 6—(AP)—The recovery move was resumed in today's stock market but in a more or less selective manner.

Favored were a number of oils, rails and industrials. Gains ran to 3 points or so after considerable morning irregularity. Extreme advances were shaded in the majorities of cases by late profit cashing and minus signs cropped up for assorted pivots at the close.

Among losers were Santa Fe, Rock Island Railroad, Gouglas Aircraft, Lockheed, International Paper, Union Carbide, Western Union, Pacific Western Oil, Mission Corp. and United Air Lines.

## Hempstead Red Cross Donations

Previously reported \$3,835.85

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R. L. McCain 2.00

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S. Jamison .50

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Mr. Mrs. F. C. Norwood 3.00

Mrs. Toxic Redmond 1.00

Mr. Mrs. S. H. Smith 2.00

Mr. Mrs. H. L. Pinogor 1.00

Mrs. Lucille Carrigan 1.00

W. McGehee 3.00

Carrie McGehee 2.00

Mrs. Delton Houston 1.00

Lynn Browning 2.00

Total \$3,928.35

Oxygen when mixed with acetone makes possible flame temperatures above 4,000 degrees.

Dealings crossed the million mark for the twelfth session in three weeks although slowdowns were frequent. Volume for the full proceedings ran to around 1,300,000 shares.

A few strong carriers enabled the rail average to touch another new high since September, 1946.

At best levels for 948 were Nickel Plate Railroad, Union Pacific, Canadian Pacific, are Oil, Ohio Oil and Gillette Safety Razor. Bonds were steady.

## Bulletins

Washington, April 6—(AP)—President Truman today nominated Paul F. Hoffman, president of Studebaker Corporation, to be director of the foreign aid program.

The nomination, which is expected to get prompt Senate approval, while reviewing Washington's army day parade in an open reviewing stand on Constitution avenue.

The document was brought to him by Charles G. Ross, presidential press secretary. Mr. Truman used his pen briefly, then handed the paper back to Ross who returned to the White House.

Washington, April 6—(AP)—John L. Lewis agreed to bargain with qualified representatives of the soft coal operators tomorrow at 2:30 p. m. (EST) on the mine pension dispute.

**MOON MAP BY RADAR**

Radar may be used in making a map of the moon. Some scientists believe it will be possible to receive radio echoes from the moon, making it possible to study irregularities on the surface.

If you're not feeling just right, can't enjoy the outdoors, due to a hang-over of winter sluggishness, chances are what you need is good old Calomel.

Calomel, the improved Calomel Compound Tablets, are especially designed to make calomel-taking pleasant, safe and sure. No need to follow Calomel with Salts — they do the complete job. Try Calomel whenever you need a laxative as in spring fever, colds, biliousness due to constipation. You will like them. Follow label directions.

Also, SSS Tonic helps you enjoy life by increasing the gastric digestive juices when it is non-organic, naturally two little or scanty—thus the stomach will have little cause to get balky with gas, bloating and give off that sour food taste.

Don't wait! Energize your body with rich, red-blood. Start on SSS Tonic now. As vigorous blood surges throughout your whole body, greater freshness and strength should make you eat better, sleep better, feel better, work better, play better, have a healthy color glow in your skin—firm flesh fill out hollow places. Millions of bottles sold. Get a bottle from your drug store. SSS Tonic helps Build Sturdy Health.

**Weak, Watery Blood Blamed for Making Men and Women Look and Feel Older**

How do you feel at the end of a day? Is that old time pep and drive lacking? Have you checked-up on your blood strength lately? Thousands now regaining glowing good looks and vitality through the release of vibrant energy to every muscle, fibre, cell.

Every day—every hour—millions of tiny red-blood-cells must pour forth from the marrow of your bones to replace those that are worn-out. A low blood count may affect you in several ways: no appetite, underweight, no energy, a general run-down condition, lack of resistance to infection and disease.

To get real relief you must keep up your blood strength. Medical authorities, by analysis of the blood, have by positive proof shown that SSS Tonic is amazingly effective in building up low blood strength in non-organic nutritional anemia. This is due to the SSS Tonic formula which contains special and potent activating ingredients.

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Prissy Missy Dresses. Original price 4.98 to 8.98. Now

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Regular 4.98 ladies gowns. Now only

\$1.50

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2.00



# Social and Personal

Phone 768 Between 9 A. M. and 4 P. M.

## Social Calendar

**Tuesday, April 6**  
The Executive committee of the Council of church women will meet Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock at the First Methodist church. Plans will be made at this meeting for the May Fellowship Lunch to be held on May 7.

**Wednesday, April 7**  
The H.C.A. Brigade of the Hope Gospel Tabernacle will meet at the church at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday. There will be a meeting of the Board of Education of the First Methodist church, Wednesday in the home of Mrs. Nannie Perkins, 601 East 2nd Street, at 7:30.

**Thursday, April 8**  
The Women's Missionary Council of the Hope Gospel Tabernacle will meet at the church at 2:30 p.m. Thursday.

**NOTICE**  
The State Conventions of the Council of Church Women will be held in Hot Springs on Monday and Tuesday, May 12 and 13. Hope will be represented by Mrs. J. E. Cooper and Mrs. William P. Hardegreve. All members are invited to attend this meeting if possible.

**Wednesday, April 7**  
A Song and Study Service will be held at the Church of Christ at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.

**Thursday, April 8**  
The Junior-Senior P.T.A. will have their regular monthly meeting Thursday, April 8 at the high school at 3:15. The Executive meeting will be held at 2:45 p.m.

The W.M.U. of the First Baptist church will have an Associational meeting at ten o'clock at the church, Thursday, April 8. This will be an all-day affair and lunch will be served at noon. There will be a missionary speaker for the afternoon meeting.

**Friday, April 9**  
The Girl Scout Community Committee will meet Friday morning at ten o'clock at the Little House at the Fair park instead of the regular scheduled day of Wednesday.

The Business and Professional Women's Club will meet Thursday evening at 7 o'clock at the Barlow Hotel. Misses Mary Frances Irvin and Annie Sue Andrews will be the hostesses. Guest speakers will be Lyle Brown and James Pilkinton.

**Circle Three Meets**  
With Mrs. Rob Jones  
Circle Three of the W.S.C.S. of the First Methodist church met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Rob Jones with Mrs. R. D. Franklin, president, presiding. Mrs. Dave Atkinson had charge of the worship service.

Mrs. Edwin Ward and Mrs. Wm. J. Cox gave interesting discussions on "Rural Community Life and Worship". The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer repeated in unison.

During the social hour, the hostess assisted by Mrs. Clifford Franks and Mrs. W. A. (Bill) Mudgett served a delicious dessert plate to eighteen members and one guest, Mrs. W. A. Price.

**Mrs. P. H. Webb**  
Hostess to Circle Five  
Circle Five of the W.S.C.S. of the First Methodist church met at the home of Mrs. P. H. Webb Monday night for the regular monthly business and social meeting. Hostesses for the meeting were Mrs. Marlar and Mrs. Brack Schenck.

The devotional was given by Mrs. R. L. Branch on "Whole Creation Is Our Lord's." Mrs. Earl Clifton introduced the speaker, Mrs. J. E. Cooper who gave a very interesting discussion on Aims of Christian Social Relations for This Year.

During the business meeting, Mrs. Nolan Tollett, chairman, presided. Plans were made to send two boxes of clothes to European Relief.

Mrs. Madge Floyd and Mrs. Chas. Wyle were welcomed into the circle as new members. During the social hour, the hostesses served a delightful dessert course to twenty-eight members present.

**Mrs. Garrett Story Entertains**  
Circle Two, W.S.C.S.  
Circle Two of the W.S.C.S. of the First Methodist church met Monday afternoon at three o'clock at the home of Mrs. Garrett Story with Mrs. Henry Hitt as co-hostess.

Mrs. George Peck, chairman, opened the meeting with prayer and gave a talk on "Women in Christian Service and Prayer". Mrs. O. A. Graves, program leader gave the devotional, followed by the group singing "This Is My Father's World".

Mrs. R. E. Cain gave the importance of the "Rural Community and its Contribution to Mankind". During the social hours, the hostesses served a delectable salad plate to fourteen members present.

**Miss U'Lda Smith**  
Bride of James Leon Neal  
Miss U'Lda Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. U. L. Smith of Emmet, Arkansas, became the bride of James Leon Neal, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Neal of this city, Sunday, April 4 at ten a.m. at the home of the bride's parents.

The Reverend D. O. Silvey, pastor of the Garrett Memorial Baptist church of this city read the impressive double ring ceremony before a background of white calla lilies and gladioli.

The bride, given in marriage by her father chose a bridal blue suit with navy accessories and carried a white Bible topped with a single blue orchid.

Miss Mary Ella Morris of Little Rock, served the bride as maid of honor and wore a pink suit with navy accessories and her corsage was of blue Dutch iris.

George Martin Anderson served the groom as best man. Immediately following the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hunt. The bride's table was covered with a lace cloth and centered with an arrangement of snapdragons, candy tuft and sweetpeas in a cut glass bowl on a reflector, connected by white satin streamers to the four corners of the table which held white tapers and small miniature arrangements of bride and groom. Mrs. A. D. Malone, sister of the groom, presided at the cake service, and Miss Mary Ella Morris poured the punch. Henry Smith, brother of the bride and Wayne England, lighted the candles at the reception.

The couple left immediately following the reception for a wedding trip to Hot Springs after which they will make their home in Hope.

Mrs. Neal is a graduate of Hope High School and for the past several months has been employed in Little Rock. The groom attended Hope High School and was recently discharged after serving eighteen months with the army in Japan.

Among the out of town guests at the wedding were Miss Sue Livingston of Port Arthur, Texas; Miss Mary Ella Morris of Little Rock; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Messer and son and Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Percy and daughter of Emmet.

**Y.W.A. Has**  
March Meeting  
The members of the Y.W.A. of the First Baptist church met at the church Monday evening at six p.m. for the regular monthly business and social meeting.

Circle five and six of the Women's Missionary Union served a delicious supper to eighty-two members of the Y.W.A., K.A.A., Jr. G.A.'s, Int. G.A.'s and the Reverend and Mrs. S. A. Whitlow. During the supper meeting, Mrs. P. J. Burroughs, Mrs. Ben Owens and Mrs. S. A. Whitlow gave short talks on the Dept. of the church. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Keitner led the group in Devotion.

Following the supper meeting, the Y.W.A. group adjourned to their study room upstairs. Miss Nancy Ethel Perkins, president, called the meeting to order and presided over the business session. Miss Wanda Ruggles, secretary, read the roll call and minutes of last meeting. Committee reports were the members attending the Y.W.A. Banquet to be held in Little Rock, Tuesday evening, April 13, and also discussed Y.W.A. camp to be held at Ridgecrest, South Carolina, June 17 to 23.

Miss Betty Martin, program chairman, presented business. Ruth McLean, Emeline McDowell, Mary Ethel Perkins in a short play on "Mission". Miss Martin also gave the by-laws of the Y.W.A. The meeting was closed with the group repeating the Lord's Prayer in unison.

**Coming and Going**  
Miss Marjorie Braden will return Tuesday from a visit with friends in Dangierfield, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Taylor have returned from Dallas, Texas after a week-end visit with Mr. and Mrs. Homer Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Winfred Hastings.

Mr. and Mrs. Lot Embree and

## DOROTHY DIX Most Unhappy People

Did you ever realize that the most unhappy people are those whose worst enemy is themselves? That the happy people are those who cannot bear their own society, and that the bored people are the ignorant who have no resources within their own selves?

There are no other people in the world for whom I feel so sorry as I do for those who have had dispositions. The people who are filled with bitterness and envy and jealousy and malice and spite, who see the worst in everybody, who have no friend, and who even alienate the affections of their own families from them.

New we can avoid these

### Singing Service

Deard's Chapel will hold its regular singing services on Sunday, April 13, Last Sunday announced today. The public is invited.

### Pentecost Church Revival to Start April 8

The proper services that for the past week have been offered nightly at the First Pentecost Church, will continue until Thursday night, April 8. At that time, the Rev. Paul DeFord of Bloomington, Ind. will conduct services in a revival campaign.

All interested parties are urged to attend these services.

son, Larry of Maclella were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Embree here.

Miss W. B. Ruggles, Billy Ruggles and Mrs. Sue Livingston were guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Embree here.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Smith and family had as weekend guests, Mr. and Mrs. John Robert Harper and 22, and Mrs. Lile Cathoun of Houston, Texas.

### Hospital Notes

**Branch**  
Admitted:  
Ira Weems, Waterloo.  
Mrs. Joe McJunkins, Saratoga.  
Discharged:  
Joe McJunkins, Columbus.  
Ressie Day, Maplewood, Mo.

**Julia Chester**  
Mrs. Aud Martholde and daughter, Betty Love, Little Rock.  
Mrs. McRae Cox, Hope.

**Josephine**  
Admitted:  
J. P. Samuels, Ashdown.  
Discharged:  
Baby Curtis Alderson, Jr., Lewisville.

menties and seek pleasant company, but the curse upon them is that they can never get away from themselves. They have to live with themselves. Think of the burden of having to endure such a companionship through the years, and have pity upon them!

Our personality is always with us. We cannot escape that, so unless we are right with ourselves we are wrong with the universe. Unless we can approve of our own conduct, the applause of others is as nothing to us.

**Cannot Escape Selves**  
If our parents are pessimistic and make home a depressing place, we leave them as soon as possible. If our husbands and wives are violent-tempered and hard to get along with, we can divorce them. But we cannot get away from ourselves. It seems to me that we do not sufficiently appreciate this fact, nor realize how important it is to provide ourselves with good company during the long journey through life.

Surely if we did, more people would cultivate a pleasant, amiable disposition, for there are few men and women who are more disagreeable to be brought in daily contact with than pessimists. Irritable ones who are always flying into rages and who always have a feud on with someone. Why, then, should one choose as one's most intimate companion an individual whose nerves are always shaken to pieces by storms, and whose very blood is poisoned with hate?

If people would consider how long they have to be together, they would cultivate a cheerful outlook on life. Nobody seeks the society of gloomy, fussy and calamity junks. On the contrary, those we enjoy being with are the genial, courageous optimists, who snap their fingers at Fate and carry on with a gay laugh on their lips, even when the sledding gets hard.

Why, then, shouldn't we provide ourselves with a high-hearted companion, who will whistle and keep our spirits up during the long march, instead of tying up with a whiner and a complainer who will always look on the dark side of things and sap our strength by taking the spirit out of us?

Surely, as we have to endure our own society so long, it is worth providing ourselves with an interesting companion. Someone who will never bore us, because he has read and thought and ob-

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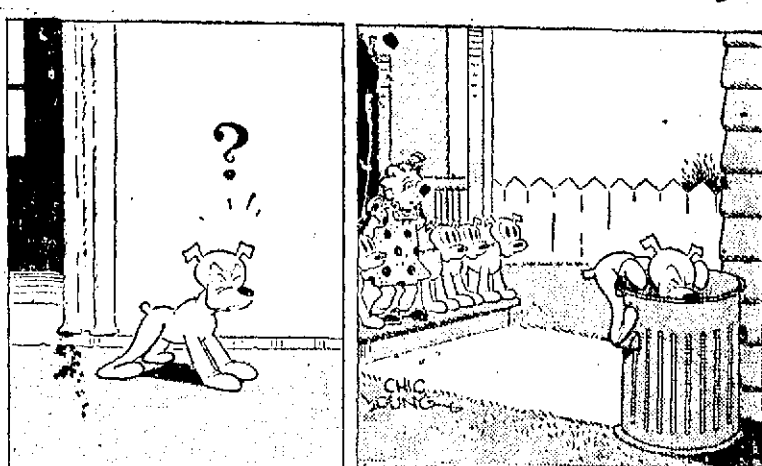
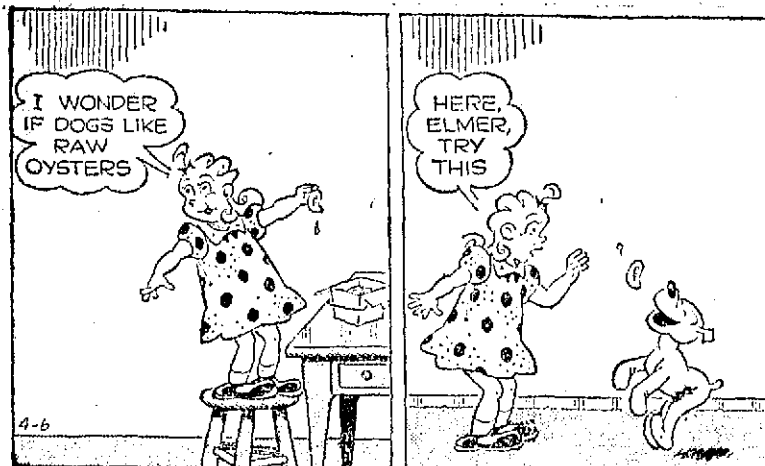


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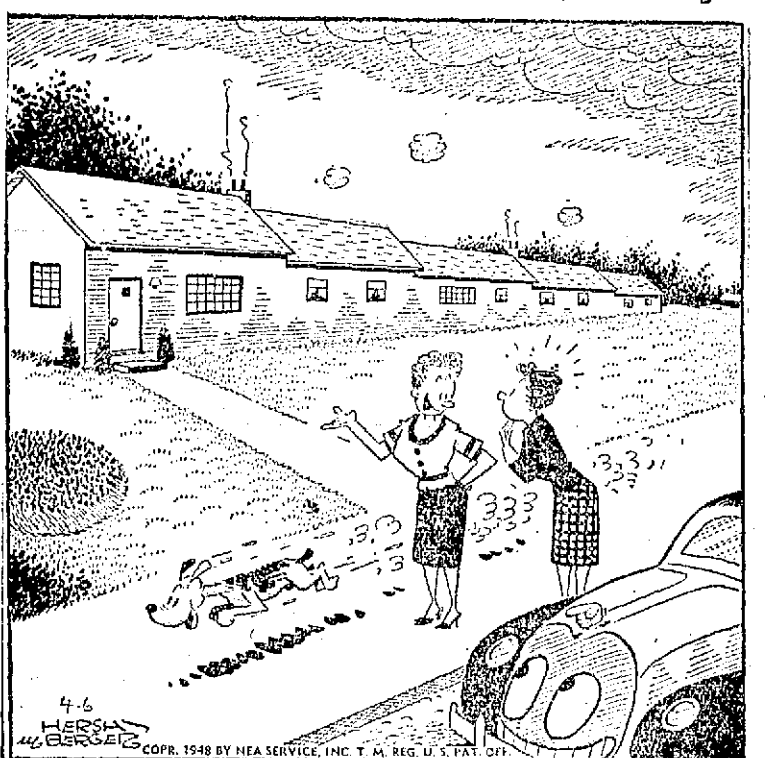
"They've been fighting for a week, so when she dashed out today with a grip I thought sure I had a house for you—but it was only laundry!"



"Now then, just let yourself go! Does a man good to get a chance to complain once in a while, doesn't it?"

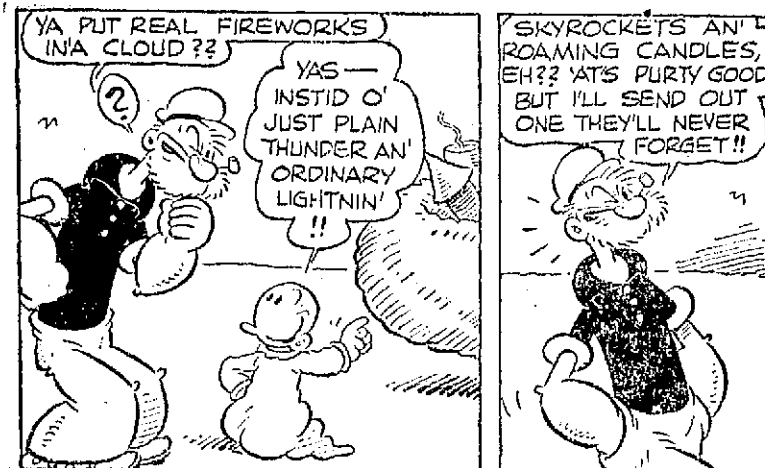
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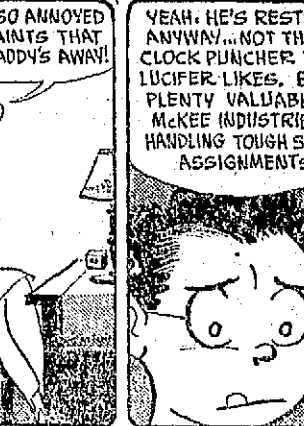


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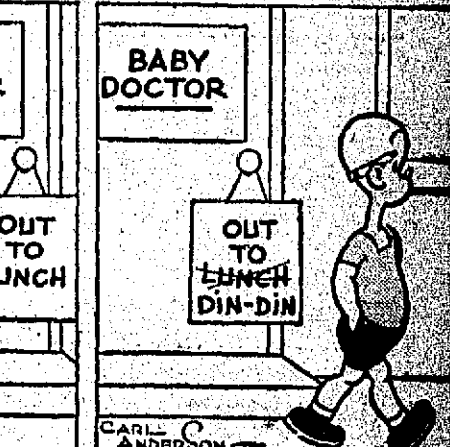
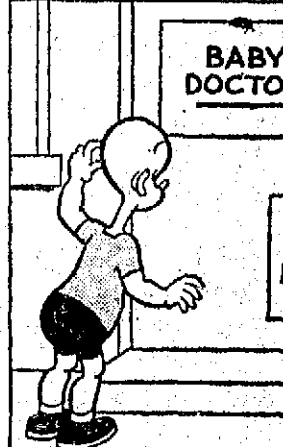
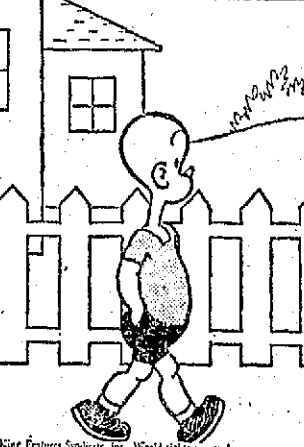
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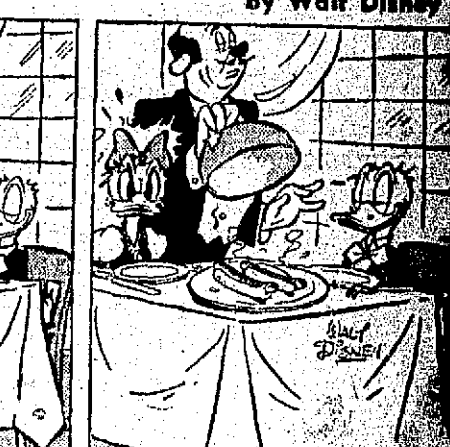
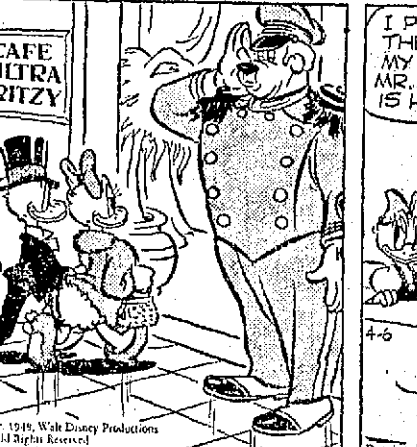
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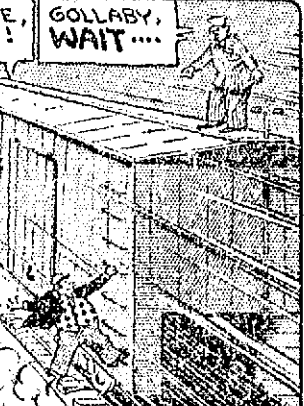
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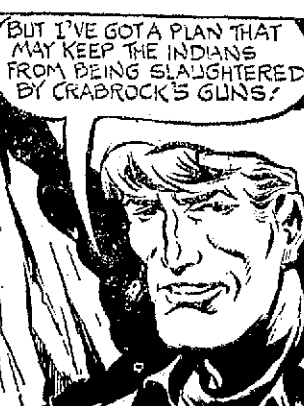
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## Status of Divorce Cases in Court Again

Little Rock, April 6 —(AP)—Status of the 1,750 divorce decrees invalidated by a recent Arkansas Supreme Court decision is again before the high court.

An appeal was filed today from a legal move designed to validate the decrees.

The divorces were issued by Mrs. Ruth F. Hale who served as judge of the second division of the Pulaski County Chancery Court. They were in effect invalidated when the Supreme court held the act creating Mrs. Hale's court was faulty.

Under that legal theory on Feb. 24 he signed a decree in the case Elmer Pope versus Mary Gertrude Pope, granting a divorce effective May 8, 1947—the date on which the original decree was signed by Mrs. Hale.

Mrs. Hale was first appointed master in chancery in Judge Dodge's court in 1943 and the stipulation in the Pope case states that she was to be effective on the date of the unconstitutional appointment. She "continued to perform and discharge duties of the standing master of the chancery" court, in seeking the decree from Judge Dodge, to be effective on the date of the original decree, the lower court was told when she signed the decree Mrs. Hale "was truly serving as master and the purported decree was in fact a report to the chancery court of Pulaski county."

The attorneys for both parties filed with the Supreme Court a stipulation stating that 1,750 di-

## The Innocent Impostor

By Renee Shann

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THE STORY: Patience Mond goes to London three times a week to attend dressmaking school. It is the only freedom allowed her by the two old-fashioned aunts who have brought her up and with whom she lives in the country. On the commuting train she meets Paul Taylor, who lives in a neighboring village and who finds himself attracted to the young girl. They date secretly, fall in love. The aunts find out, force Patience to promise not to see Paul again. Paul, meeting Patience as usual on the train, can't understand why she doesn't stand up to them. "Tell your Aunt Helen you're breaking that promise," he admonishes her. "Tell her you're engaged to me and you want to marry me."

Patience started at Paul. Her breath caught in her throat. "But I'm not engaged to you—"

"I want you to be."

"I—I couldn't possibly do anything like that without first asking my aunts' permission."

"Holy mackerel!"

"And under the circumstances," she went on desperately, "what chance is there of them giving it?"

"The trouble with you is you're conventional and a prig."

"I'm not. But marriage is a very serious matter."

"The devil it is! Don't worry, I'm already sorry I suggested it."

"Well, I didn't accept you."

"You've not got the guts. No," he shook his head. "It's all right. We'll call it a day. We wouldn't get on, I can see now. I like a girl with more spirit. Look, I think we've said all there is to say, don't you? If it's all the same to you, I'm going to return to the carriage and read my evening paper."

He went, leaving her standing there alone in the corridor. Tears blinded her eyes. She tried to fight against them but they poured down her cheeks. She didn't go back to the carriage. She stood there in the corridor through the entire journey. As the train drew nearer to Oakley she thought: "He

won't let me go like this. He can't if he really loves me." But the station came and he made no move to speak any further to her. She got out and walked slowly down the platform. She took her bicycle from the shed and rode home knowing that now it was really over. She didn't know quite what it was she'd expected, what she'd hoped might possibly happen. But she'd not dreamed it would be quite like this. That they'd quarrel the way they had. She opened the front door and went into the sitting room. There sat her aunts, on either side of the fireplace.

"I thought I'd just let you know I was back, Aunt Helen."

Her aunt put down her mending for a moment.

"Did you have an interesting day at the academy, dear?"

"Yes, thank you, Aunt Helen."

"How are you getting on with your work?"

"Very well."

"That was all. No mention of Paul. The subject was now closed, never to be reopened."

The Easter holiday came and for a month Patience didn't go to London. She told herself she was thankful. She was spared the agony of that journey back in the evenings. Knowing Paul was on the train. Sometimes catching a glimpse of him. Having him walk

if she were the worst stranger.

And then the term started once more. Once more there were the early morning breakfasts. Aunt Alice getting up to see her off.

Heaving to her from the gate as she bicycled down the lane. Once more there were those return journeys.

The weather now was warmer. Spring was in full glory. The trees were in leaf, the birds sang, wild flowers peeped from the hedgerows. Patience hated it. She wished it were winter with chill dark evenings. Or autumn with the trees each day growing bare.

This was a time for happiness and her heart was heavy.

She raced for the train one evening, thinking she was going to lose it. Usually she was punctual, but she'd been kept late by Madame Girard. By Madame Girard surprisingly complimenting her on the progress she'd been making.

Her mind still occupied with the nice things the headmistress had said to her, Patience flung herself into the first available carriage. People shifted to make room for her. She squeezed in between a fat old lady with a Pekinese and a burly middle-aged soldier.

"Just about room for a little 'un," said the soldier cheerfully.

"Thank you."

"Paul, darling, don't you think a little air would be a good idea?"

Patience glanced up involuntarily. Her heart seemed to stop beating. Paul was sitting opposite her, and next to him—very, very close to him—was a blonde girl with blue eyes, their blue seeming even deeper since they were fringed with darkened lashes. She was a very pretty girl, Patience thought grudgingly. She wore too much make-up in her opinion, but maybe some men liked it.

Paul leaned forward and opened the window.

"That's too much for anybody?" he asked the carriage at large.

"Not for me," said the soldier. "It's blinkin' hot today and it's no good saying it isn't."

"How about you?" Paul asked looking at Patience. But not as if he knew her. Not as if he'd ever held her in his arms and kissed her.

"It's quite all right, thank you," she said stiffly.

The guard's whistle sounded. Doors slammed down the train. It began to move slowly out of the station.

The blonde girl settled down in her corner and smiled at Paul, a slow intimate smile that told Patience, who didn't mean to keep looking at her, but somehow couldn't prevent herself, exactly the way she felt about him.

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Hopes Fade

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would subject veterans to draft if they had served less than 18 months and were not members of a reserve unit.

2. A demand that the top limit on required registration be lowered from 45 years. The chairman said some senators want to limit the registration "from 18 years to 30 or in the 30's."

Senator Edward V. Robertson (R-Wyo.), a member of the Armed Services Committee, said in advance of today's session that the administration is trying to "ride" the UMT through Congress "on the coattails of Selective Service."

There is a lot of support in Congress for a limited draft. There is a good deal of stiff opposition to UMT.

Chairman Gurney (R-SD) said the Senate Armed Services group "undoubtedly" will decide first whether to handle the two programs in one bill or separately. Gurney is for both UMT and the draft, but he declined to say whether he favors packaging them.

Said Robertson: "I don't think a 'single package' bill would pass. But I predict that if there were two bills, Congress would pass Selective Service rapidly and do nothing about UMT this session."

The Wyoming senator said he wants Selective Service because (1) it would strengthen the nation's armed forces quickly and (2) "the only language Russia understands is power."

Robertson added that UMT might be all right for long range preparedness. But he said it would contribute nothing to a solution of the immediate problem—stopping Russia and the spread of communism.

One member of the committee who favors the draft, and UMT, said he doubts whether it would be wise to require the millions of men in that age span to register.

"That sort of thing would scare the hell out of people," he said.

"They would think we are on the verge of war, when actually not one of the military officials has told this committee that we are."

## Reds

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the British that Allied planes in the future would have unhindered access to Berlin.

British officials said the Russian response was satisfactory and immediately cancelled plans to assign fighter plane escorts, beginning today, to all air transports coming into Berlin. The United States followed the British lead. U. S. and British planes flew in and out of the city today without escort.

Tension in Berlin eased off somewhat.

The official Russian account of yesterday's crash incident said the Russian fighter plane hit the British ship as it was trying to land.

The official British account quoted the eyewitnesses as saying the fighter pilot was "freaking" when he hit the British ship.

The British plane, carrying 14 persons, including two Americans, crashed in the Russian zone of the city. All aboard were killed. The bodies lay in the wreckage nearly 12 hours before the Russian command finally gave its consent early today for their removal. The Russian fighter hit the ground in the British sector of the city. The pilot's body was removed four hours after the crash.

The text of the Soviet statement, as transmitted by the Russian news bureau, said:

"The Soviet military administration in Germany expresses deep regret over the unfortunate collision of an English transport plane bound for Berlin with a Soviet plane which was attempting to land at the Soviet airfield of Dallgow. Both planes crashed as a result of the collision and their occupants were killed."

Russian-controlled papers mentioned the tragedy in terms of one or two paragraphs. They made no mention of the fact that the British commander in Germany, Gen. Sir Brian Robertson, made a per-

## Steel

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down on him and the striking coal miners for defying a court back-to-work order.

While government attorneys declined to reveal their time-table for proceeding against Lewis and the United Mine Workers union, they hinted the deadline for compliance will fall tomorrow.

If so, Lewis and his attorneys would have to do one of these things today to avert that crack-down:

1. Send the nearly 400,000 soft coal miners back to work, ending the strike over pensions which started March 13.

2. Fight the temporary restraining order itself by challenging its constitutionality or asking the court to dissolve it on other grounds.

If Lewis elected to do nothing the next move appeared likely to be a contempt of court citation.

Operators Willing To Confer

Washington, April 6 —(AP)—Obeying a court order, soft coal operators offered today to meet with John

McAlister, but he said he doesn't know if the miners will work.

Meanwhile, throughout the nation 100,000 men were idle in industries allied to coal and the U. S. Department of Commerce estimated the nation's steel output would drop this week to 75 percent of capacity. It was 87 per cent last week.

Legal Rope For Lewis

Washington, April 6 —(AP)—The government allowed John L. Lewis more legal rope before cracking

sonal protest to the Russian commander-in-chief, Marshal Vassily D. Sokolovsky, and the latter's pledge that Allied aircraft henceforth would be assured unhindered access to Berlin.

Sokolovsky assured Robertson the Russians had no intention of interfering with British planes using the international air corridor over Berlin, a city ruled and occupied by four powers and isolated from the western occupation zones by 150 miles of Russian-occupied territory.

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